

WASHINGTON, DC – Congresswoman Gwen Moore, a member of the House Budget committee, today lauded the passage of the House's FY 2010 budget resolution (H.Con.Res.85); including key provisions she sought to include in the bill. The House-passed budget proposes to cut the federal deficit by nearly two-thirds by 2013, cut taxes for middle income families by \$1.5 trillion, create jobs with targeted investments and reforms in health care, clean energy, and education and reduce non-defense discretionary spending to its lowest level as a percent of the economy in nearly half a century, and – in FY 2010- by 1.5 percent below the President's budget blueprint.

"With the economy in its current state, there is nothing more important than making investments that help to jump start our ailing economic condition," said Rep. Moore. "This budget takes the needed steps to restore fiscal sustainability and restore the lives of those who have been most affected by the failed Bush policies."

The House-passed budget makes important investments to strengthen the US economy and country while being fiscally responsible, providing for economic recovery and health care reform, energy independence, investing in education and supporting veterans.

"The Bush era's misguided fiscal choices led to American families finding themselves in the midst of a recession as real income levels dramatically fell, more and more people lost their homes, and millions of families fell into poverty," said Congresswoman Moore. "The BudgetResolution passed today is a strong starting point to reversing the trail of debt and financial crisis left behind by the Bush Legacy while making key investment in health care, energy independence, and education."

Congresswoman Gwen Moore sought and secured key provisions in the Budget including- a reserve fund for child support, a child support amendment (w/ Rep. Paul Ryan), and 'sense of the Congress language' supporting the President's Great Lakes inter-agency initiative and an increase for critical life-saving foreign assistance programs.

Rep. Moore's secured provisions in the FY 2010 Budget Resolution:

- Creation of a reserve fund for Child Support enforcement funding.
- Language to encourage the authorizing committees to ensure that States have the necessary resources to collect  
all child support that is owed to families and to allow them to pass 100 percent of support on to families without  
financial penalty.
- Language recognizing the importance of continuing adequate funding for the Weatherization Assistance Program,  
which helps lower-income families to reduce their energy bills and increase the comfort and safety of their homes.

- Language that recognizes the importance of funding for an inter-agency initiative, included in the President's budget, to address regional environmental issues that affect the Great Lakes, and that coordinated planning and implementation among the federal, state, and local government and nongovernmental stakeholders is essential to more effectively addressing the most significant problems within the Great Lakes basin.
- An increase to U.S. non-military power worldwide by supporting critical life-saving foreign assistance programs such as food aid, HIV/AIDS, TB, Malaria and child survival, debt relief and refugee assistance

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